EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

SPIRIT of the JERSEYS State History Fair Saturday May 12, 2012 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Washington Crossing State Park Titusville, NJ 08560 (609) 737-0623 www.njhistoryfair.org

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Free Admission

Parking/\$5 per vehicle

Rain or Shine

The SPIRIT Returns to Washington Crossing State Park!

Experience five centuries of New Jersey's history all in one place at the SPIRIT of the JERSEYS - a historical festival for all ages on Saturday, May 12 at Washington Crossing State Park in Titusville.

This free, award-winning event, which runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., rain or shine, annually draws more than 5,000 visitors. Now in its eighth year, the Fair is a funfilled adventure into New Jersey's past with living history demonstrations, military reenactors, tours, exhibits, period music and dance, and historical organizations and museums from around the state.

New this year, visitors can bring their treasured heirlooms to an antiques appraisal (\$), be entertained by "Levram the Great" - the Colonial Conjurer; watch the Tuckers' Tales Puppet Theatre perform "I'll Take No Tea"; meet Martha Washington; take the GPS Heritage Cache Challenge and participate in the "Are you as Smart as a 4th Grader?" game. There are plenty of hands-on activities for kids and adults, from learning the art of paper marbling to participating in historical games; to plowing a furrow and raising a scale model barn.

Washington Crossing State Park is located on the Delaware River, just eight miles north of Trenton. A National Historic Landmark, it was here that the Continental Army under the command of General George Washington landed after their historic crossing of the Delaware River on Christmas night 1776. The park contains over 2000 acres in Mercer and Hunterdon Counties and is easily accessible from Routes 29 and 546.

For more information and a complete list of activities about the Fair, visit www.njhistoryfair.org or call 609-737-0623.

The Fair is sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Historic Sites, Division of Parks and Forestry, and its partners.